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SAME, PRINTED WIRING BOARD, CONDUCTIVE FILM FORMING METHOD,
AND CONDUCTIVE FILM OBTAINED BY THE SAME

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the Notice of Reasons for Rejection, dated October 5, 2010, from the Japanese Patent Office issued in a counterpart JP Application No. 2004-342607 citing such documents together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith English-language abstracts of the JP documents.

JP 04-259381 and JP 2003-332738 were previously cited in this application as part of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 8, 2009. JP 2003-114525 was previously cited in this application as part of the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 20, 2010.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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